



## YOU WILL NEED THESE SUPPLIES:

A deep pan (such as a tin baking pan)  
 Beach sand or playground sand  
 Sticks, acorns, leaves, shells, and such  
 Plaster of paris (found in most craft stores)  
 Safety (dust) mask  
 A plastic mixing container (not metal)  
 A mixing spoon (not metal)  
 Water  
 Paper clip

**\*\*\*You need a parent or adult to help you make this project.\*\*\***

- 1) Take a walk along the beach or another favorite outdoor environment. Collect natural objects that you find such as leaves, sticks, shells. (Do not collect sea oats.)

You will use these objects to make the face features, so think about your nose, eyes, mouth and all the things on your face. Look at someone else's face to help you remember.

Collect all the supplies on the list

- 2) Put sand in the pan. It should be about 4 inches thick.  
 Use your hands to make an oval-shaped bowl in the sand. It doesn't have to be very deep. Think about the shape of your face.
- 3) Place your found-objects into the sand to design your mask face. You need to press the objects into the sand about halfway so some of the object sticks out. Remember that you should place your objects in pointing toward the sand.
- 4) Have an adult mix the plaster of paris according to the directions that come with the plaster mix. **USE A DUST MASK** when mixing the powder and water. Mix until a thick creamy consistency.
- 5) Slowly pour the mixture into the oval-shaped bowl in the sand until it is level. Place a slightly opened paper clip into the wet plaster to make a hanging hook. Do not disturb the pan until the plaster has hardened for an hour or more. See the plaster directions for drying times.
- 6) After the mask has completely dried and hardened (usually the next day) carefully remove it from the sand and brush the loose sand off.
- 7) Enjoy your mask with friends and even make your own art show by hanging your artwork in a place that others can see it.

